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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks. Applicants submit concurrently herewith: (a) Exhibits A-D; (b) a Second Request for Corrected Filing Receipt with Attachments A and B; and (c) an Information Disclosure Statement with Form PTO/SB/08 and copies of references AW-BB.

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Amendment to the Inventorship:

Please delete inventors “Luisa Iruela-Arispe” and “Steven M. Ruben.”

Amendment to the Title:

Please amend the Title as follows:

~~--METH1 AND METH2 POLYNUCLEOTIDES AND POLYPEPTIDES--~~